

What is claimed is:

1. A method of securely accessing information over a network, comprising:

storing information in a secure storage area in a remote network node;
transmitting an application link in a web page; and
receiving an initiation of said application link to access to said secure storage area.

2. The method of securely accessing information over a network according to claim 1, further comprising:

invoking an application on said remote network node in response to said initiation of said application link, wherein said application is configured to determine access to said secure storage area.

3. The method of securely accessing information over a network according to claim 2, further comprising:

accessing a user configuration database to determine access to said secure storage area.

4. The method of securely accessing information over a network according to claim 3, further comprising:

transmitting said information over said network to a requestor in response to said user configuration database permitting access to said secure storage area.

5. The method of securely accessing information over a network according to claim 4, wherein said information is transmitted according to a hypertext transfer protocol.

6. The method of securely accessing information over a network according to claim 4, wherein said application link includes a common gateway interface program link.

7. The method of securely accessing information over a network according to claim 4, wherein said user configuration database is constructed using a extensible mark-up language.

8. A system for securely accessing information over a network, said system comprising:

- at least one processor;
- a memory coupled to said at least one processor;
- a management information portal residing in said memory and executed by said at least one processor, wherein said management information portal is configured to store information in a secure storage area in a remote network node, transmit an application link in a web page, and receive an initiation of said application link to access to said secure storage area.

9. The system for securely accessing information over a network according to claim 8, wherein said management information portal is configured to determine access to said secure storage area in response to an invocation of an application on said remote network node.

10. The system for securely accessing information over a network according to claim 8, wherein said management information portal is further configured to access a user configuration database to determine access to said secure storage area.

11. The system for securely accessing information over a network according to claim 10, wherein said management information portal is further configured to transmit said information over said network to a requestor in response to said user configuration database permits access to said secure storage area.

12. The system for securely accessing information over a network according to claim 11, wherein said information is transmitted according to a hypertext transfer protocol.

13. The system for securely accessing information over a network according to claim 11, wherein said application link includes a common gateway interface program.

14. A computer readable storage medium on which is embedded one or more computer programs, said one or more computer programs implementing a method for securely accessing information over a network, said one or more computer programs comprising a set of instructions for:

storing information in a secure storage area in a remote network node;
transmitting an application link in a web page; and
receiving an initiation of said application link to access to said secure storage area.

15. The computer readable storage medium according to claim 14, said one or more computer programs further comprising a set of instructions for:

invoking an application on said remote network node in response to said initiation of said application link, wherein said application is configured to determine access to said secure storage area.

16. The computer readable storage medium according to claim 15, said one or more computer programs further comprising a set of instructions for:

accessing a user configuration database to determine access to said secure storage area.

17. The computer readable storage medium according to claim 16, said one or more computer programs further comprising a set of instructions for:

transmitting said information over said network to a requestor in response to

said user configuration database permits access to said secure storage area.

18. The computer readable storage medium according to claim 17, said one or more computer programs further comprising a set of instructions, wherein said information is transmitted according to a hypertext transfer protocol.

19. The computer readable storage medium according to claim 17, said one or more computer programs further comprising a set of instructions, wherein said application link includes a common gateway interface program link